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April 16, 2003

Honorable Christine T. Whitman Administrator, U.S. EPA P.O. Box 1473 Merrifield, VA 22116

Re: Carboxylic Food Acids and Salts Category, Registration Number

Dear Administrator Whitman:

The American Chemistry Council's Acetic Acid and Salts Panel (Panel) is submitting revised cover pages for the assessment plan report and robust summary documents, and a revised version of Appendix 1 of the assessment plan report for the Carboxylic Food Acids and Salts Category under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) High Production Volume Chemical (HPV) Challenge Program. These documents were submitted to USEPA on March 3 1, 2003 in response to comments posted to the HPV web site by USEPA, Environmental Defense, and the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine.

The revised cover pages and the heading for Appendix 1 now reflect the new name of the category addressed by the Panel, "Carboxylic Food Acids and Salts Category," which formally was called the "Acetic Acid and Salts Category."

If you have any questions regarding the revised pages of the assessment plan report and the robust summary document, please contact me at 703-741-5611 (telephone), 703-741-6091 (fax) or laurie~miller@americanchemistry.com (email).

Sincerely yours,

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